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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application with the listing of claims as follows:

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) A processor implemented method comprising:

receiving, via a processor, a user defined selection of a first order destination alternative from an order destination menu, the first order destination alternative representing a first order destination;

displaying via [[a]] the processor on a display screen of a computer a first order type menu at times when a first order destination alternative is selected from an order destination menu, the first order destination alternative representing a first order destination, received and processed to determine the first order type menu listing only order type alternatives that represent order types supported by the first order destination;

receiving via the processor a user defined selection of [[an]] <u>a second</u> order [[type]] <u>destination</u> alternative from said [[first]] order [[type]] <u>destination</u> menu, the second order destination alternative representing a second order destination;

providing determining via the processor, based at least in part on the second order destination alternative selected by the user, the selection to determine a selection of at least one order type alternatives alternative associated with the second order destination, the at least one order type alternative being different from the order type alternatives listed in the first order type menu and [[to be]] displayed as part of a second order type menu; and

displaying via the processor on said display screen of said computer [[a]] the second order type menu at times when a second order destination alternative is selected from the order destination menu, the second order destination alternative representing a second order destination, received and processed to determine the second order type menu listing only order type alternatives that represent order types supported by the second order destination, the second order type menu being that is different from the first order type menu and reflecting different order types supported by the second order destination associated with the second order destination alternative;

wherein:

the first order destination and the second order destination are at least one of a securities exchange, a market maker, an ECN, and a trading market place; and

order type alternatives included in both said first and second order type menus include a market order type and a limit order type.

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21. (Currently Amended) A processor implemented method comprising:

receiving, via a processor, a user defined selection of a first financial instrument
trading symbol from a financial instrument trading symbol menu, the first financial
instrument trading symbol representing a first financial instrument;

displaying via [[a]] the processor on a display screen of a computer a first order destination menu at times when a first financial instrument trading symbol is displayed in an order input area of a user interface, received and processed to determine the first order destination menu listing only order destination alternatives that correspond to order destinations that support trading in [[a]] the first financial instrument that corresponds to the first financial instrument trading symbol;

receiving via the processor a user defined selection of one or more alternatives a second financial instrument trading symbol from said first order type financial instrument trading symbol menu, the second financial instrument trading symbol representing the second financial instrument;

providing determining via the processor, based at least in part on the second financial instrument trading symbol selected by the user, the selection to determine a selection of at least one order destination alternative associated with the second financial instrument, the at least one order destination alternative being different from the order destinations listed in the first order destination menu [[to be]] displayed as part of a second order [[type]] destination menu; and

displaying via the processor on said display screen of said computer [[a]] <u>the</u> second order destination menu <u>at times when a second financial instrument trading</u>

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symbol is displayed in the order input area, received and processed to determine the second order destination menu listing only order destination alternatives that correspond to order destinations that support trading in a second financial instrument that corresponds to the second financial instrument trading symbol, the second order destination menu being that is different from the first order destination menu and reflecting different order destinations supported by the second financial instrument associated by the second financial instrument trading symbol;

wherein:

at least one of the order destination alternatives listed by the first order destination menu is different from each order destination alternative listed by the second order destination menu; and

each of the order destinations is selected from at least one of a securities exchange, a market maker, an ECN, and a trading market place.

22. (Original) A method according to claim 21, wherein:

the first financial instrument trading symbol represents a first common stock; and

the second financial instrument trading symbol represents a second common stock.

23. (Original) A method according to claim 21, wherein:

the first financial instrument trading symbol represents a common stock; and

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the second financial instrument trading symbol represents an option.

24-37. (canceled)

38. (Currently Amended) A processor-readable medium storing processorissuable instructions to:

receive, via a processor, a user defined selection of a first order destination alternative from an order destination menu, the first order destination alternative representing a first order destination;

display via [[a]] the processor on a display screen of a computer a first order type menu at times when a first order destination alternative is selected from an order destination menu, the first order destination alternative representing a first order destination, received and processed to determine the first order type menu listing only order type alternatives that represent order types supported by the first order destination;

receive via the processor a user defined selection of [[an]] <u>a second</u> order [[type]] <u>destination</u> alternative from said [[first]] order [[type]] <u>destination</u> menu, the second order destination alternative representing a second order destination;

provide determine via the processor, based at least in part on the second order destination alternative selected by the user, the selection to determine a selection of at least one order type alternative associated with the second order destination, the at least one order type alternative being different from the order type

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alternatives listed in the first order type menu and [[to be]] displayed as part of a second order type menu; and

display via the processor on said display screen of said computer [[a]] the second order type menu at times when a second order destination alternative is selected from the order destination menu, the second order destination alternative representing a second order destination, received and processed to determine the second order type menu listing only order type alternatives that represent order types supported by the second order destination, the second order type menu being different from the first order type menu and reflecting different order types supported by the second order destination indicated by the second order destination alternative;

wherein:

the first order destination and the second order destination are at least one of a securities exchange, a market maker, an ECN, and a trading market place; and

order type alternatives included in both said first and second order type menus include a market order type and a limit order type.

39. (Currently Amended) A processor-readable medium storing processor-issuable instructions to:

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receive, via a processor, a user defined selection of a first financial instrument trading symbol from a financial instrument trading symbol menu, the first financial instrument trading symbol representing a first financial instrument;

display via [[a]] <u>the</u> processor on a display screen of a computer a first order destination menu <u>at times when a first financial instrument trading symbol is</u> displayed in an order input area of a user interface, received and processed to determine the first order destination menu listing only order destination alternatives that correspond to order destinations that support trading in [[a]] <u>the</u> first financial instrument that corresponds to the first financial instrument trading symbol;

receiving receive via the processor a user defined selection of one or more alternatives a second financial instrument trading symbol from said first order type financial instrument trading symbol menu, the second financial instrument trading symbol representing the second financial instrument;

providing determine via the processor, based at least in part on the second financial instrument trading symbol selected by the user, the selection to determine a selection of at least one order destination alternative associated with the second financial instrument, the at least one order destination alternative being different from the order destinations listed in the first order destination menu [[to be]] displayed as part of a second order [[type]] destination menu; and

display on said display screen of said computer [[a]] <u>the</u> second order destination menu at times when a second financial instrument trading symbol is displayed in the order input area, received and processed to determine the second order

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destination menu listing only order destination alternatives that correspond to order destinations that support trading in a second financial instrument that corresponds to the second financial instrument trading symbol, the second order destination menu being that is different from the first order destination menu and reflecting different order destinations supported by the second financial instrument associated by the second financial instrument trading symbol;

wherein:

at least one of the order destination alternatives listed by the first order destination menu is different from each order destination alternative listed by the second order destination menu; and

each of the order destinations is selected from at least one of a securities exchange, a market maker, an ECN, and a trading market place.

- 40. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the order destination menu and the first order type menu are adjacent to each other on the display screen.
- 41. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein the order destination menu, the first order type menu and the second order type menu are pull down menus.
- 42. (New) The method of claim 20, further comprising allowing a user to select an action from a set of actions including: (a) enter order; (b) enter ticket; (c) cancel order; (d) update order; and (e) reload order.

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43. (New) The method of claim 21, further comprising displaying financial instrument trading information related to at least one of the first and second financial trading symbols, the instrument trading information concerning financial instrument trading orders.

44. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein the financial instrument trading orders include at least one order to buy or sell a common stock.

45. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein the displayed financial instrument trading information includes respective quotations for the first or second financial instrument at a plurality of order destinations.